



STEM Careers

Carpenter

Job Description: Construct and repair building frameworks and structures which include roof joists, doorframes, and partitions made from wood and other materials.

What do Carpenters do?

- Follow blueprints and building plans to meet the needs of clients
- Install structures and fixtures, such as windows and molding
- Measure, cut, or shape wood, plastic, fiberglass, dry wall and other materials
- Construct building frameworks, including wall studs, floor joists, and doorframes
- Help put up, level, and install building framework with the aid of large pulleys and cranes
- Inspect and replace damaged framework or other structures and fixtures
- Instruct and direct laborers and other construction trade helpers

Your Interests:

- Are you a detail oriented person?
- Do you like using math skills in real world situations?
- Are you a good problem solver?
- Do you like using your hands when you work?

Outlook:

Average Salary - \$19.00 hourly, \$39,530 annually

Projected Job Openings – 196,000 over the next 10 years

Education/Program of Study:

- A high school diploma or an equivalent program
- Most carpenters are involved in an apprenticeship program where they learn from and work with a carpenter.